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Applicant : Katsura Nakajima et al.  
Title : ND FILTER, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE ND FILTER, AND  
APERTURE DEVICE INCLUDING THE ND FILTER  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 15, 2004, please  
amend the application, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.